

House Resolution No. 2909

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, fifty years ago Lawrence Henke took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Bernice Fuemmeler, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed on April 21, 1955, at Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Glasgow by Father Drimped; and

Whereas, five decades later Lawrence and Bernice Henke of Salisbury observed their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends at the Knights of Columbus Hall on April 25, 2005; and

Whereas, the marital union of Lawrence and Bernice Henke has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Carey of Salisbury, Laura of Chicago, Illinois, Julie of Brunswick, Bart of Salisbury, Darrell of Olathe, Kansas, Roy of Allen, Texas, Ben of Liberty, and the late Edward and Farley; and

Whereas, Lawrence and Bernice Henke were overjoyed when their family continued to grow to include twenty-one grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Lawrence Henke is a retired farmer who served on the Salisbury School Board for six years and with Knights of Columbus for fourteen years, received Honorary Membership in Future Farmers of America, and earned Co-operator of the Year status with the Soil Conservation Service, and

Whereas, a factory employee and nursing home dietician, Bernice Henke earned Employee of the Month recognition and enjoys reading, flower and vegetable gardening, and yard work; and

Whereas, Lawrence and Bernice Henke used the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes which have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by Lawrence and Bernice Henke and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Lawrence and Bernice Henke of Salisbury, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Therese Sander
District No. 22

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2909, adopted May 4, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker